

Sir:

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PATENT Customer No. 22,852 Attorney Docket No. 7883.0097-02

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Katherine S. TWEDEN et al.) Group Art Unit: 3738
Application No.: 10/639,614) Examiner: Unknown
Filed: August 11, 2003)
For: HEALING TRANSMYOCARDIAL IMPLANT	
Commissioner for Patents	TECHNO TEBO

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of this application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are included in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks follow the amendment sections of this paper.

FINNEGAN HENDERSON FARABOW GARRETT & DUNNER LLL

1300 I Street, NW Washington, DC 20005 202.408.4000 Fax 202.408.4400 www.finnegan.com